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Morning Prayers

IN the Name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O God, come to my aid,
O Lord, make haste to help me.

OUR Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus

Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed

is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thy Heart.

The things we pray for, good Lord, grant us to labour for.

O Jesus, through the most pure heart of Mary, I offer Thee the prayers, work, sufferings, and joys, of this day, for all the intentions of Thy Divine Heart in the Holy Mass.

I desire to gain this day all the Indulgences that I can.

All ye Angels and Saints of God, pray for me.

✠ May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

NIGHT PRAYERS

IN the Name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O God, come to my aid.
O Lord, make haste to help me.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe.

O my God, I am very sorry

that I have offended Thee, because Thou art so good; I love Thee with all my heart and I will not sin again.

Bless our Holy Father the Pope, my father and mother, brothers and sisters, relations and friends.

Holy Mary, be a mother to me.

O my good Angel, whom God has appointed to be my guardian, watch over me during this night.

All ye Angels and Saints of God, pray for me.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to life everlasting; and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CONFESSION

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

I am the Lord thy God.

I

Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.

II

Thou shalt not take the name of God in vain.

III

Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.

IV

Honour thy father and thy mother.

V

Thou shalt not kill.

VI

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VII

Thou shalt not steal.

VIII

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

IX

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife.

X

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's goods.

THE COMMANDMENTS OF THE CHURCH

I

To keep the Sundays and Holidays of Obligation holy by

hearing Mass and resting from servile works.

II

To keep the days of fasting and abstinence.

III

To go to confession at least once a year.

IV

To receive the Blessed Sacrament at least once a year, and that at Easter.

V

To contribute to the support of our pastors.

VI

Not to marry within certain degrees of kindred, nor at the forbidden times.

ACT OF CONTRITION

O MY God, I am sorry and beg pardon for all my sins, and detest them above all things, because they deserve Thy dreadful punishments, because they have crucified my loving Saviour Jesus Christ, and most of all, because they offend Thine infinite goodness; and I firmly resolve, by the help of Thy grace, never to offend Thee again, and carefully to avoid the occasions of sin.

I have sinned, O my God, by frailty against Thee, the Father omnipotent, by ignorance against Thee, O Son, the supreme Wisdom, by malice against Thee O Holy Ghost, most merciful;

and by these things I have offended Thee, most sublime Trinity.

Say the I confess *and then make your confession.*

AFTER CONFESSION

I PRAISE Thee, I glorify Thee, I bless Thee, my God, for the immense blessings Thou hast given me, notwithstanding my unworthiness.

I bless Thy clemency in waiting for me, Thy sweetness in correcting instead of destroying me, Thy tenderness in calling me, Thy gentleness in receiving me, Thy mercy in pardoning me, Thy goodness in filling me with favours, Thy patience in forgetting my injuries, Thy humility

in consoling me, Thy compassion in protecting me, Thy eternity in preserving me, and Thy truth in rewarding me.

I am unable to offer Thee fitting praises for all these benefits. But I return thanks to Thee for the abundance of Thy infinite goodness, and beseech Thee that Thou wilt ever increase grace in me, that after increasing Thou wilt preserve it, and after preserving Thou wilt reward it. Amen.

THE MASS

The Priest wears these vestments for the celebration of Mass:—

1. *The Amice.* 2. *The Alb.*
3. *The Cord.* 4. *The Maniple.*
5. *The Stole.* 6. *The Chasuble.*

The colour of the Chasuble will indicate the nature of the feast: White *for feasts of our Lord, His Mother, Confessors, and Virgins.* Red *for the Holy Ghost, The Holy Blood, and the blood of Martyrs.* Black *for the holy Souls and Good Friday.* Violet *for Fast days, Advent and Lent.* Green *for Sundays and weekdays that have no feast.*

He will use: 1. *The Chalice in which he will put the wine which is to become the Blood of Jesus.* 2. *The*

Purificator, a linen napkin with which he will dry the Chalice after the Communion. 3. *The Paten.* 4. *The Bread, which is on the paten. The Bread will become the Body of Jesus.* 5. *The Pall, a small square of linen which is put over the Chalice.* 6. *The Corporal, a linen napkin upon which the Body of Jesus will rest.* 7. *The Burse in which the Corporal is kept.* 8. *The Veil.*

The Priest having put everything in readiness steps down in front of the Altar and begins Mass.

Preparation

I CONFESS to Almighty God, to blessed Mary ever virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the

Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech blessed Mary ever virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

Almighty God be merciful to us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins.

O Lord, hear my prayer, and

let my cry come unto Thee.

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace to men of good will. We praise thee, we bless thee, we glorify thee. We give thee thanks for thy great glory. O Lord God heavenly King, God the Father Almighty, O Lord Jesus Christ the only-begotten Son, O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, Who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, Who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For thou only

art holy, thou only art Lord, thou only art most high, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Ghost, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Instruction

Epistle and Gospel are read.

When standing up to hear the Gospel *say:*

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel say:

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed.

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the

only-begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages; God of God, light of light, true God of true God; begotten, not made; consubstantial with the Father; by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. (*Kneel*) And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: and was made man. He was crucified also for us: suffered under Pontius Pilate and was buried. And the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory, to judge the living and the dead: of his kingdom there shall

be no end. And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and lifegiver; who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who together with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified: who spoke by the prophets. And one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering

ACCEPT us, O Lord, in the spirit of humility and contrition of heart; and grant that the Sacrifice we offer this day in Thy sight may be pleasing to Thee, O Lord God.

Come, O Almighty and eternal God the sanctifier, and bless this sacrifice prepared for thy holy name.

RECEIVE, O holy Trinity, this offering which we make to Thee in memory of the Passion, Resurrection, and Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in honour of the blessed Mary, ever-virgin, of blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the Saints; that it may be available to their honour, and our salvation; and that they may vouchsafe to intercede for us in heaven, whose memory we celebrate on earth.

Turning to the people, the Priest says Orate, fratres *(Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.) To this answer in silence:*

May the Lord receive the sacrifice from thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name, for our benefit, and that of all his holy Church. Amen.

Consecration

The Priest ends the secret prayers with:

℣. World without end.
℟. Amen.
℣. The Lord be with you.
℟. And with thy spirit.
℣. Lift up your hearts.

℟. We have lifted them up to the Lord.

℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

℟. It is worthy and just.

IT is truly worthy and just, right and salutary, that we should always and in all places give thanks to thee O holy Lord, Father Almighty, Eternal God; because, by the mystery of the Word incarnate, the new light of thy brightness has shone upon the eyes of our mind: that while we visibly acknowledge God, we may be carried on by him to the love of things invisible. And therefore with the Angels and Archangels, with the Thrones and Dominations, and with all

the troop of the heavenly army, we sing a hymn to thy glory, repeating without end:

The Bell is rung

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. The heavens and earth are full of thy glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WE humbly beg and beseech thee, therefore, O most merciful Father, through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, to accept and bless these gifts, which we offer thee especially for thy holy Catholic Church; as also for thy servant our Pope and our Bishop and all here pre-

sent and all thy servants, whose faith and devotion are known to thee, for whom we offer this sacrifice of praise, for the redemption of their souls, and for the hope of their salvation and safety.

Names of those to be remembered.

We beseech thee, therefore, O Lord, to receive favourably this offering of our service, as also of all thy family: and to dispose our days in thy peace, and command us to be delivered from eternal damnation, and to be numbered in the flock of thy elect.

Which offering do thou, O God, we beseech thee, vouchsafe to make in all things blessed, admitted, ratified, reasonable and acceptable: that it may become to us the Body and Blood of thy most beloved Son our Lord Jesus Christ.

Who, the day before he suffered took bread into his holy and venerable hands: and with his eyes lifted up to heaven to thee, O God his Almighty Father, giving thanks to thee, he blessed, broke, and gave to his disciples, saying: Take and eat ye all of this,

FOR THIS IS MY BODY.

In like manner, after he had supped, taking also this excellent chalice into his holy and vene-

rable hands: also giving thanks to thee, he blessed it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and drink ye all of this,

FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL TESTAMENT: THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: WHICH SHALL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY TO THE REMISSION OF SINS.

As often as you do these things, you shall do them in remembrance of me.

REMEMBER, O Lord, thy servants who are gone before us with the sign of faith, and sleep in the sleep of peace.

Names of those to be remembered,

Also to us sinners thy servants, hoping in the multitude of thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and all thy saints into whose company do thou, we beseech thee, admit us, not considering our merits, but granting us thy forgiveness; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Communion

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy

will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, we beseech thee, O Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Mary ever virgin, mother of God, with thy blessed Apostles Peter, Paul, and Andrew, and all the saints, grant in thy mercy peace in our days; that assisted by the help of thy mercy, we may be ever free from sin and secure from all disturbance. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, thy

Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Breaking the Host, the Priest puts a part of it into the chalice.

MAY this mingling and consecration of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ be to us who receive it unto life everlasting. Amen.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, by the will of the Father and the co-operation of the Holy Ghost, didst give life to the world by thy death: deliver me by this thy most holy body and blood from all my iniquities and all evils: and make me ever hold to thy commandments, and never permit me to be separated from thee. Amen.

To be repeated three times striking the breast.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof: but only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.

The bell is rung to announce the Communion.

MAY the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to life eternal. Amen.

May the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to life eternal. Amen.

May Almighty God have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant me pardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins. Amen.

Thanksgiving

GRANT, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouth we may receive with a pure mind; and may it do us good both for time and eternity. Amen.

May thy Body, O Lord, which I have received, and thy Blood, which I have drunk, cleave to my flesh: and grant, that no stain of crimes may remain in me whom pure and holy mysteries have refreshed. Amen.

Let the homage of my service be pleasing to thee, O holy Trinity; and grant that the sacrifice which I, unworthy as I am, have offered in the sight of thy ma-

jesty, may be acceptable to thee, and, by thy mercy, be a propitiation for me, and for all for whom I have offered it. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

After Mass

Hail Mary. 3 *times*.

HAIL, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy; hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy

womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

O GOD, our refuge and our strength, look down in mercy on Thy people who cry to Thee; and by the intercession of the glorious and immaculate Virgin Mary Mother of God, of Saint Joseph her Spouse, of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the Saints, in mercy and goodness hear our prayers for the conversion of sinners, and for the liberty and exaltation of our holy mother the Church. Through the same Christ our Lord, Amen.

HOLY Michael Archangel defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do Thou, Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.
Have mercy upon us. 3 *times*.

PRAYERS

BEFORE COMMUNION

O ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, behold I draw near to the Sacrament of Thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. I draw near as a sick man to the Physician of life, as one defiled to the Fountain of mercy, as one blind to the Light of eternal splendour, as one poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth.

Wherefore, I implore the fulness of Thine infinite bounty that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to heal all my sickness, to wash away my defilement, to give light to my blindness, to enrich my poverty,

and to clothe my nakedness, so that I may receive the Bread of Angels, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, with such contrition and devotion, such purity and faith, such purpose and intention as may avail to the welfare and the salvation of my soul.

Grant me, I beseech Thee, to receive not only the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of my Lord but also the very Reality and Substance of the Sacrament. O most gracious God, grant me so to receive the Body of Thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that very Body which He took of the Virgin Mary, that I may be truly incorporated into His mystical Body, and so num-

bered among its members. O grant, loving Father, grant me at last to behold face to face and for evermore the same Thy beloved Son, whom I purpose to receive now in my pilgrimage beneath the veils of the Sacrament, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

I GIVE Thee thanks, O holy Lord, Father Almighty, eternal God, that Thou hast vouchsafed, for no merit of my own but of the mere condescension of Thy mercy, to satisfy me a sinner and Thy unworthy servant with

the precious Body and Blood of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. I implore Thee, let not this holy communion be to me an increase of guilt unto my punishment, but an availing plea unto pardon and forgiveness.

Let it be to me the armour of faith and the shield of goodwill. Grant that it may work the extinction of my vices, the rooting out of concupiscence and lust, and the increase within me of charity and patience, of humility and obedience. Let it be my strong defence against the snares of all my enemies, visible and invisible; the stilling and calming of all bad impulses, fleshly and spiritual; my indissoluble union

with Thee, the one and true God, and a blessed consummation at my last end. And I beseech Thee that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring me, sinner as I am, to that ineffable banquet where Thou, with Thy Son and the Holy Ghost, art to Thy Saints true and unfailing light, fulness of content joy for evermore, gladness without alloy, consummate and everlasting bliss. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

INDULGENCED
PRAYER BEFORE A CRUCIFIX

BEHOLD, O kind and most sweet Jesus, I cast myself on my knees in Thy sight, and with the most fervent desire of my

soul, I pray and beseech Thee that Thou wouldst impress upon my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity, with true repentance for my sins, and a firm desire of amendment, while with deep affection and grief of soul I ponder within myself and mentally contemplate Thy five most precious wounds, having before my eyes that which David spake in prophecy of Thee, O good Jesus: "They pierced My hands and My feet; they have numbered all My bones."

Say also five times the Our Father and Hail Mary, for the Pope and the Church.